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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING  
SRIATIONS AND CD LOSS IN CONTACT  
OXIDE ETCH

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment  
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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S.  
patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 1, after the title, please insert 7 This application is a divisional of application  
Ser. No. 09/292,393, filed on April 15, 1999, which is hereby incorporated by  
reference. 7

Rewrite paragraphs 0007, 0008, 0009, 0036, and 0038 as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-58 and 85-91.